



Bandelier National Monument Trails

Map	Trail Name	Difficulty	Route Type	Distance	Elev. Gain
1	Main Loop	Easy	Loop	1.2 mi 2.0 km	210 ft
2	Tyuonyi Overlook	Easy	Loop	1.6 mi 2.6 km	190 ft
3	Frey Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	3.4 mi 5.4 km	600 ft
4	Alcove House Trail	Easy	Out & Back	1.2 mi 2.0 km	250 ft
5	Frijolito Loop	Easy	Loop	2.4 mi 3.8 km	525 ft
6	Frijoles Rim Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	7.2 mi 11.7 km	Not Recorded
7	Upper Falls Trail	Easy	Out & Back	3.4 mi 5.5 km	485 ft
8	Burro Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	9.2 mi 14.8 km	850 ft
9	Yapashi Pueblo Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	11.4 mi 18.4 km	2,570 ft
10	Burnt Mesa Trail	Easy	Out & Back	5.6 mi 9.0 km	450 ft
11	Orange Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	6.8 mi 10.8 km	360 ft
12	Cerro Grande Trail	Moderate	Out & Back	3.8 mi 6.0 km	1,210 ft
13	Tsankawi Loop	Easy	Loop	1.4 mi 2.4 km	230 ft
14	Painted Cave Trail	Difficult	Out & Back	12.2 mi 19.7 km	Not Recorded

Trail Difficulty provided by Alltrails.com

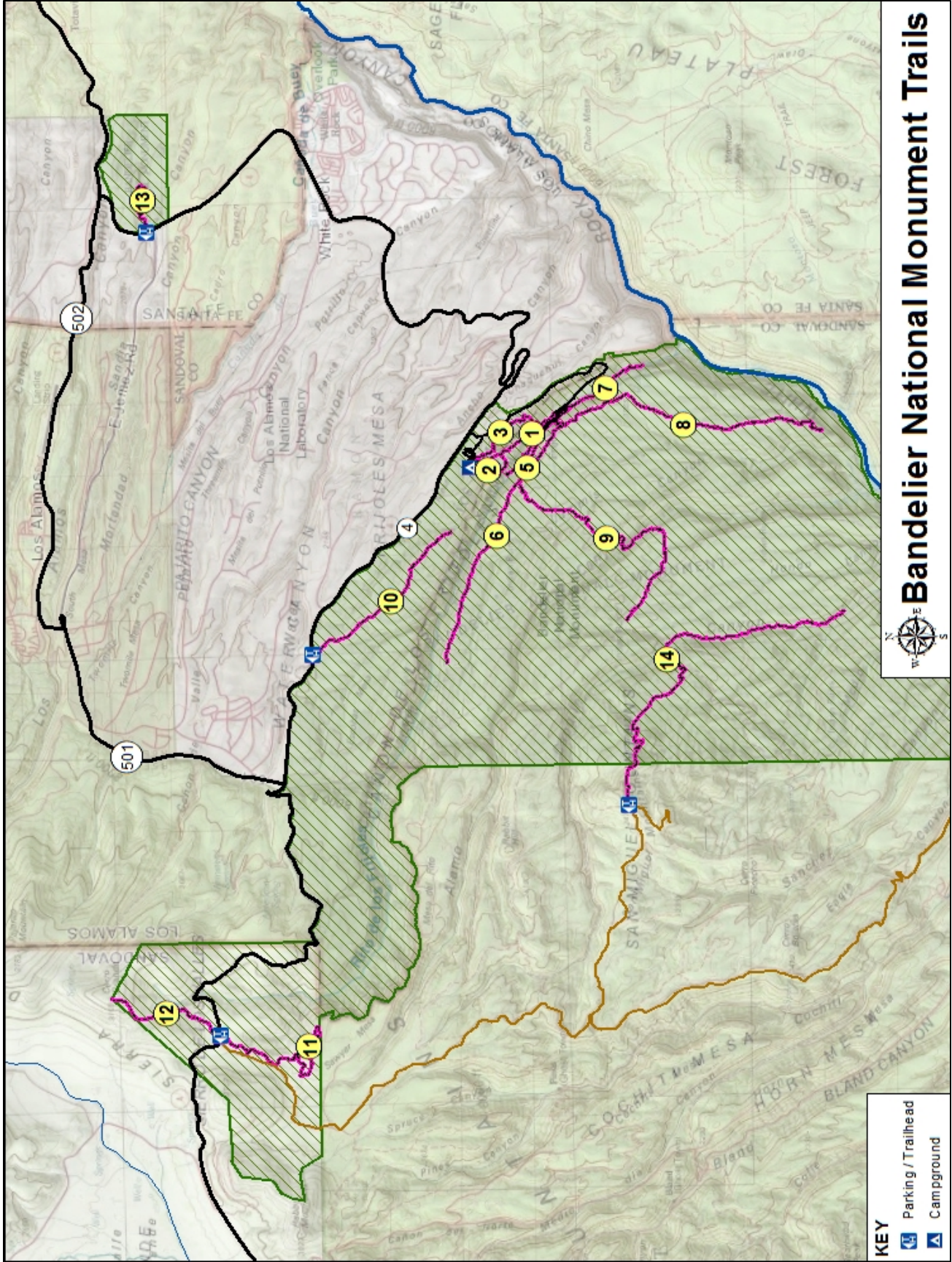
Trail Info from Bandelier National Monument website: www.nps.gov/band

The trails within Bandelier National Monument is open to pedestrian use only.

Resource Protection: All cultural resources such as Ancestral Pueblo room blocks, pot sherds, petroglyphs, and historical artifacts are protected by Federal and State law. Let all cultural resources lie undisturbed.

Safety: When exploring trails, always carry water, sunscreen, a hat, extra clothing, a flashlight, and a navigational aid.

More Info @ www.nps.gov/band/planyourvisit/outdooractivities.htm

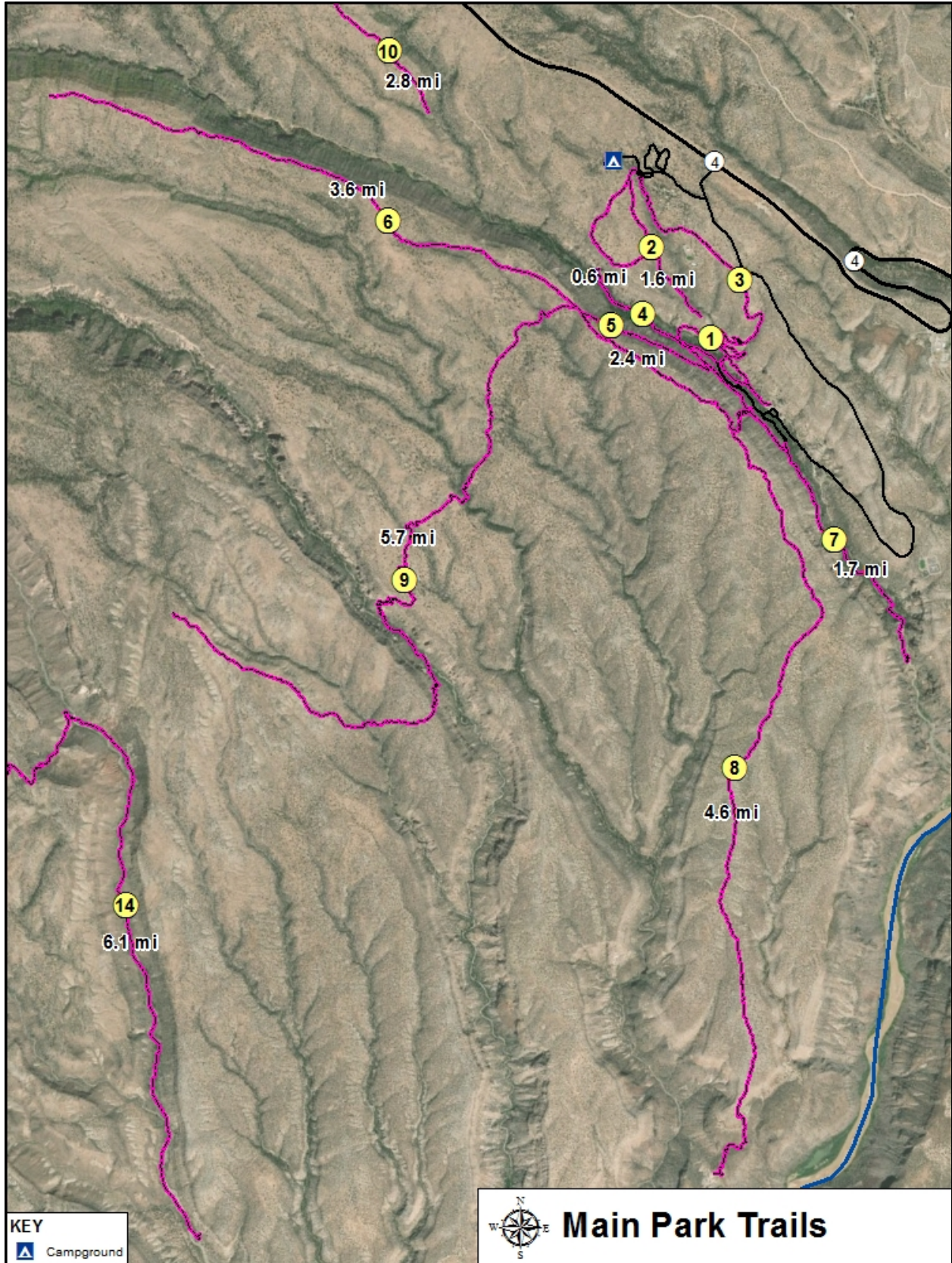


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- Parking / Trailhead
- Campground

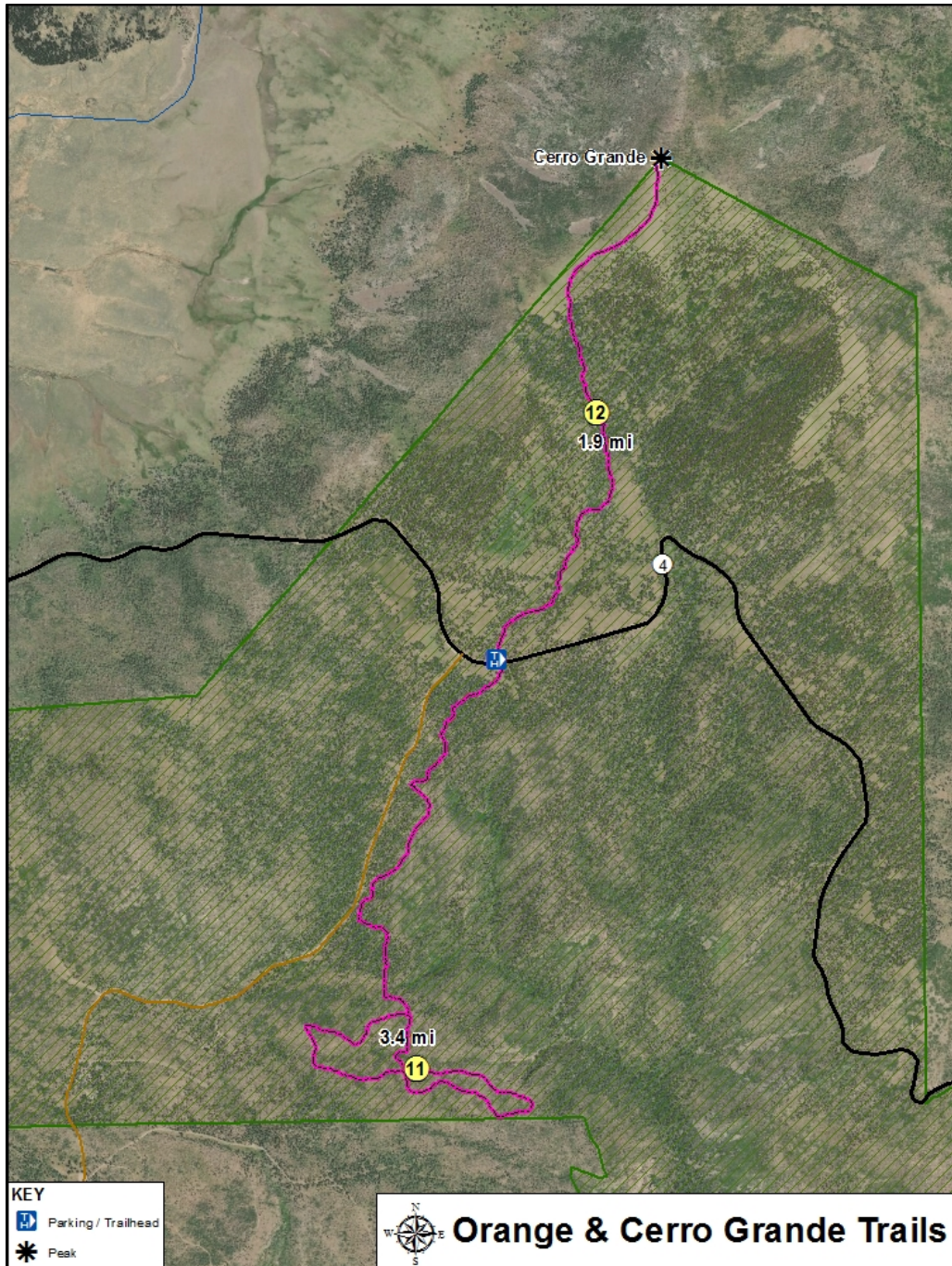


1. Main Loop
The Main Loop Trail is a 1.2 mile loop trail through archeological sites of Bandelier. This trail loop takes one past the Big Kiva, Tyuonyi, Talus House, and Long House. Ladders along the trail allow visitors to climb into cliff dwellings or storage alcoves. Pick up a trail guide at the Visitor Center to learn more about the sites along the trail through descriptions of 21 numbered stops.
2. Tyuonyi Overlook
A simple loop trail from the Bandelier Campground which provides an overlook of Frijoles Canyon and Tyuonyi Pueblo. The trail passes a number of archeological sites.
3. Frey Trail
The trail begins at Juniper Campground and makes its way to the edge of the canyon where it switchbacks down to the canyon floor. The trail provides excellent bird's eye views of Tyuonyi as well as a foot route from the campground to the visitor center. A somewhat strenuous trail at any time, it can be exceedingly difficult in summer as there is little shade from the sun along the trail. Be sure and always carry plenty of water.
4. Alcove House Trail
Alcove House, formerly known as Ceremonial Cave, is located 140 feet above the floor of Frijoles Canyon. Once home to approximately 25 Ancestral Pueblo people, the elevated site is now reached by 4 wooden ladders and a number of stone stairs. In Alcove House, there is a reconstructed kiva and the viga holes and niches of former homes.
5. Frijolito Loop
Initial part of the trail involves a steep climb of switchbacks and crosses the mesa near unexcavated Frijolito Pueblo. This trail provides access to Frijoles Rim Trail, Burro Trail, and Yapashi Pueblo Trail.
6. Frijoles Rim Trail
This trail connects to the Mid Frijoles trail at the upper crossing of Frijoles creek and allows one to turn this into about a 13 mile loop. This trail provides an expansive view of a good portion of Northern New Mexico and several mountain ranges.
7. Upper Falls Trail
This trail is a simple out and back to the upper falls of Frijoles Canyon. At one point in time the trail also took one to the lower falls, but the trail was lost to flood and erosion.
8. Burro Trail
This relatively flat trail follows the crest of a ridge system between Frijoles and Lummis Canyons.
9. Yapashi Pueblo Trail
The hike to Yapashi pueblo is a beautiful, but strenuous day hike. One will cross Alamo Canyon twice.



10. Burnt Mesa Trail

A simple out and back trail across the middle of Burnt Mesa, the trail head is accessible off of Hwy 4.



11. Orange Trail

Located in the northwest portion of Bandelier National Monument, this trail is relatively easy and runs along Sawyer Mesa.

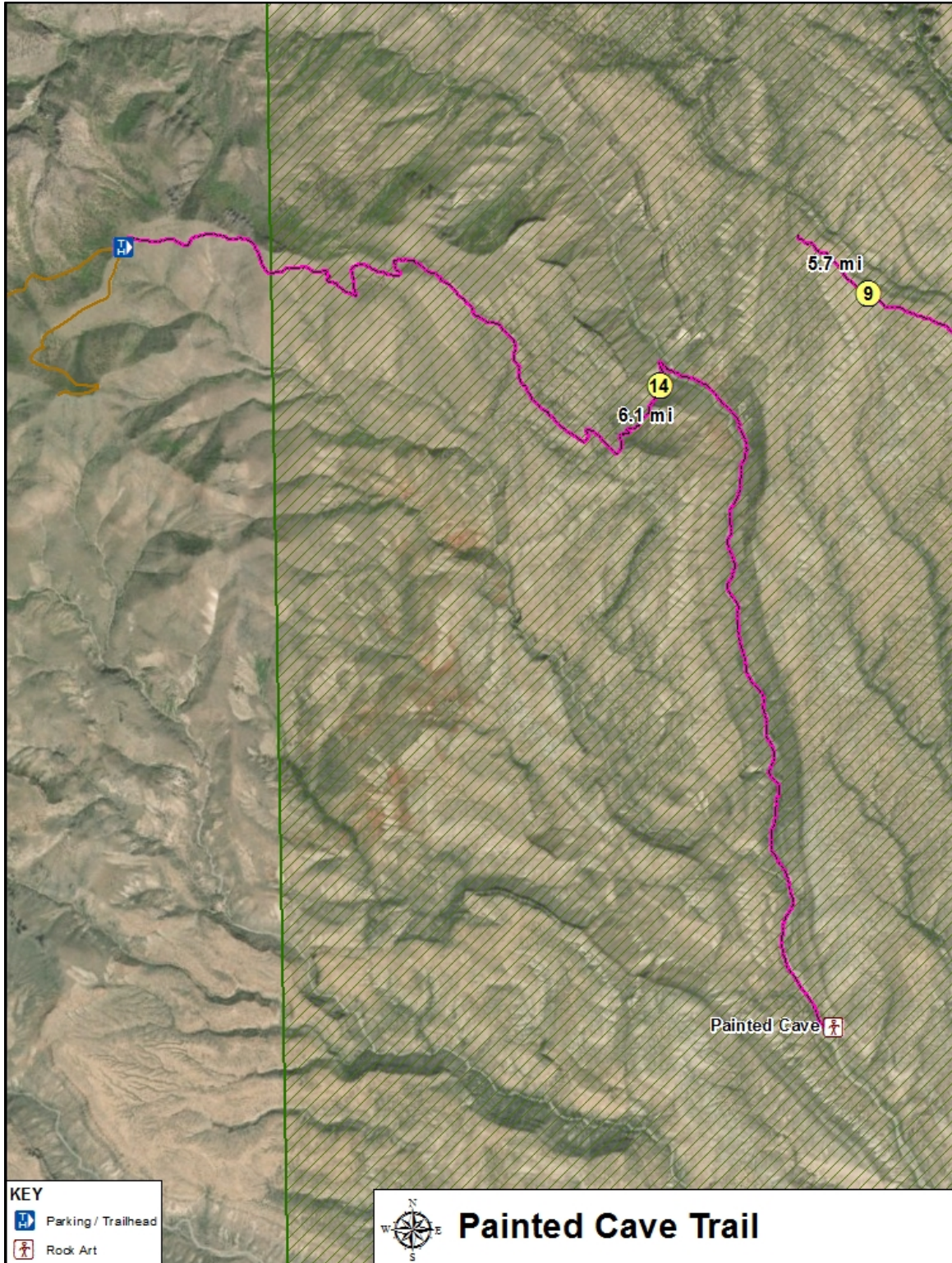
12. Cerro Grande Trail

The Cerro Grande Route winds its way up to the highest point in Bandelier National Monument, Cerro Grande Peak (10,199 ft). The preferred route is marked by yellow diamonds and passes through the mixed conifer forest and is an excellent place to see wildflowers in mid to late summer. The view of the Valles Caldera and lower Bandelier from the upper portion of the route is quite spectacular.



13. Tsankawi Loop

Tsankawi Ruin, part of the Bandelier National Monument, is located approximately 12 miles northwest of the Bandelier National Monument Entrance or 1 mile south of the intersection of Hwy 4 and Hwy 501. The trail loops around and across Tsankawi Ruins and provides hikers with views of cliff houses and petroglyphs along the southern route. Rocky trail mostly, much of which is etched into the soft/fragile tuff (volcanic ash). Tuff is very fragile, so please be careful to protect. There are two Kiva Ladders on the trail. One about 10 feet and the other maybe 20 ft.



14. Painted Cave Trail

The round-trip from the Dome Trailhead, which is located off Forest Service Road 142, is 12.2 miles and can be done as a strenuous day hike. The Dome trailhead is not accessible from January through mid-April due to seasonal road closures. Be sure to check at the visitor center for current trail conditions in the location you plan to visit.